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One of our mission partners, the National Maritime Intelligence Center, just changed their name to the National Maritime Intelligence-Integration Office and we are honored to host their new domain name at <a href="MMIO.ISE.gov[1]">NMIO.ISE.gov[1]</a>

. We asked them to write a blog post explaining the change and what this means for the future.

2012 started quickly out of the gate for our organization as two projects were completed in the first few weeks: our name change and migration to a new web address.

#### **Our New Name**

On 23 January, our director, Rear Admiral (Select) Robert V. Hoppa, announced the National Maritime Intelligence Center?s renaming to the National Maritime Intelligence-Integration Office (NMIO). This name change, as RDML (SEL) Hoppa stated, better reflects our mission to integrate maritime intelligence by leveraging partnerships at all levels of government, the private sector, academia, and with our foreign partners. NMIO?s status as an Intelligence Community Service of Common Concern, and our Director?s role as a principal advisor to the Director of National Intelligence on maritime intelligence-integration issues remains the same.

Director of National Intelligence James R. Clapper also commented on the name change by stating, ?Since its establishment three years ago, the National Maritime Intelligence-Integration Office has recorded many successes leading the integration of maritime intelligence with domestic and international partners.?

Director Clapper went on to say that NMIO has created a culture of information sharing to thwart those who would exploit the open seas for illegal and illicit activities. ?This change in name reflects simply what the National Maritime Intelligence-Integration Office has done and continues to do every day to protect our quality of life and economic well-being,? Clapper said.

#### **Our New Web Address**

In regards to the new web address, PM-ISE graciously accepted our request to host our new domain name at ise.gov. We are excited about the new address, <a href="http://nmio.ise.gov">http://nmio.ise.gov</a> [1], as it highlights our valued partnership with PM-ISE on information sharing and supports the President?s <a href="Campaign to Cut Waste">Campaign to Cut Waste</a> [2]. Please update your bookmarks and visit our site to learn more about our organization and latest initiatives.

### Maritime-Related Info Sharing

We look forward to continuing our efforts in 2012 and facilitating all forms of maritime-related information

sharing for decision makers across the Global Community of Interest, which consists of U.S. federal, state, local, tribal and territorial governments; the maritime industry, academia and our foreign partners. If you are interested in being kept up to date via email, please email us at <a href="MINIO\_Engagement@nmic.navy.mil">NMIO\_Engagement@nmic.navy.mil</a> [3] to be added to our mailing list.

## Some Background on NMIO

Established in January 2009 by *Intelligence Community Directive 902, Global Maritime and Air Intelligence Integration*, NMIO was created to advance governmental collaboration and unity of effort in the Maritime Domain as outlined in the *9/11 Commission Report* and the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004. The NMIO performs a national-level, cross-departmental mission to facilitate the proactive integration of Maritime Domain intelligence and information; provides direct support to the National Security Staff and facilitates information sharing and collaboration across the GMCOI. NMIO will remain located at the National Maritime Intelligence Center facility in Suitland, Maryland.

Some of NMIO?s accomplishments to date include: coordinating nationally unified maritime intelligence through a Maritime Intelligence Council; developing and building participation in a Single Integrated Look-Out (SILO) list for vessels of domestic and international interest; joint development with the U.S. Maritime Administration (MARAD) of an Maritime Domain Awareness (MDA) Information Portal (<a href="www.mda.gov">www.mda.gov</a> [4]) which allows vetted stakeholders, from the maritime industry to government agencies, to access and share unclassified maritime information and additionally facilitates Suspicious Activity Reporting (SAR) in conjunction with PM-ISE guidelines.

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